

Amendments to the Specification

A. Please amend the first full paragraph of page 25 of the English language specification as follows:

<Comparative Example 2>

A cast coated paper for inkjet recording was obtained in the manner described in Example 6 with the exception that 70 parts of string of pearl (bead) shaped colloidal silica (Snowtex ST-PS-M: a trade name of Nissan Chemical Industries, Ltd.) having an average primary particle diameter of 18 nm to 25 nm ~~35 nm to 40 nm~~ was added in place of the colloidal silica mentioned above, and the amount of the silica formed using a vapor phase method was changed to 30 parts, and adding 10 parts of poly(vinyl alcohol) (MA26GP: a trade name of Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd.) having a degree of polymerization of 2,600 in place of the binder mentioned above to prepare a coating solution having a concentration of 22% in the coating solution B33.

B. Please amend the second full paragraph of page 29 of the English language specification as follows:

When colloidal silica was not added to the pigment in the ink absorbing layer as in the case of Comparative Example 1, gloss was significantly reduced. In addition, when a ~~chain~~ string of pearl or cluster shaped colloidal silica was used as the colloidal silica in Comparative Examples 2 and 3, image clarity achieved when using a dye ink was extensively reduced. In the case of Comparative Example 4 when a spherical colloidal silica that did not coagulate and had a ratio of secondary particle diameter to primary particle diameter of under 1.5 was used, ink absorption and image clarity which is associated with the use of pigment ink declined extensively.

C. Please amend the fourth full paragraph of page 36 of the English language specification as follows:

<Comparative Example 9>

A cast coated paper for inkjet recording was obtained in the manner described in Example 18 with the exception that 100 parts of chain shaped colloidal silica (ST-UP: a trade name of Nissan Chemical Industries, Ltd.) having a primary particle diameter of 12.5 nm ~~12 nm~~ was added in place of the colloidal silica described above in the coating solution B.

D. Please amend the first full paragraph of page 42 of the English language specification as follows:

<Comparative Example 14>

A cast coated paper for inkjet recording was obtained in the manner described in Example 26 with the exception that 20 parts of a spherical colloidal silica (Snowtex N30G: a trade name of Nissan Chemical Industries, Ltd., present as single silica that is not aggregated) having an average primary particle diameter of 10 nm to 20 nm ~~25 nm~~ was added in place of the colloidal silica mentioned above to prepare the coating solution B4.

E. Please amend the second full paragraph of page 42 of the English language specification as follows:

<Comparative Example 15>

A cast coated paper for inkjet recording was obtained in the manner described in Example 31 with the exception that 30 parts of a chain shaped colloidal silica (Snowtex ST-UP: a trade name of Nissan Chemical Industries, Ltd.) having an average primary particle diameter of 12.5 nm ~~15 nm~~ was added in place of the colloidal silica mentioned above to prepare the coating solution B41.

F. Please amend page 43, lines 4-7 of the English language specification as follows:

The secondary particle diameter of colloidal silica was measured using a ZETASIZER 3000HSA of Malvern Instruments. [As far as the silica (trade name: AEROSIL 50) of Comparative Example 16 ~~33~~ was concerned, MASTERSIZER S of Malvern Instruments was used for the measurements.]